

Birth Control Not Used Before Pregnancy, Mother Did Not Think She Could Become Pregnant?*

(among women who were not trying to get pregnant and not using birth control)

2012 Maine Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System Survey Results

		No			Yes		
Demographic Groups	Population	%	CI		%	CI	
Total	3,275	72.3	63.8	- 79.4	27.8	20.6	- 36.2
Age							
<20 years	275	65.7	36.3	- 86.5	0.0	0.0	- 0.0
20-24 years	982	71.8	55.3	- 83.9	28.2	16.1	- 44.7
25-34 years	1,645	75.6	63.3	- 84.7	24.4	15.3	- 36.7
35+ years	374	63.7	38.2	- 83.3	0.0	0.0	- 0.0
Mother's Race							
White	3,181	72.5	63.8	- 79.7	27.5	20.3	- 36.2
Black	11	#	#	- #	#	#	- #
Other	82	0.0	0.0	- 0.0	0.0	0.0	- 0.0
Hispanic Origin							
No	3,242^	72.0	63.4	- 79.2	28.0	20.8	- 36.6
Yes	31^	#	#	- #	#	#	- #
Education							
< High School	535	58.4	36.2	- 77.7	41.6	22.3	- 63.8
High School	1,312	69.7	55.7	- 80.8	30.3	19.3	- 44.3
> High School	1,389	79.2	66.3	- 88.1	20.8	11.9	- 33.7
Marital Status							
Married	1,212	82.8	70.0	- 90.8	17.2	9.2	- 30.0
Not Married	2,063	66.1	84.7	- 75.8	33.9	24.2	- 45.3
Income							
\$14,999 or less	1,410**	61.9	48.2	- 73.9	38.1	26.1	- 51.8
\$15,000-24,999	704**	87.8	69.1	- 95.9	0.0	0.0	- 0.0
\$25,000-49,999	492**	77.5	54.6	- 90.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.0
\$50,000 or more	475**	82.5	59.7	- 93.7	0.0	0.0	- 0.0

Enrolled in WIC						
No	1,146**	69.8	55.0 - 81.4	30.2	18.6 - 45.0	
Yes	2,013**	72.0	60.9 - 81.0	28.0	19.0 - 39.1	
Enrolled in MaineCare/Medicaid						
No	761**	89.5	73.7 - 96.3	0.0	0.0 - 0.0	
Yes	2,514**	67.0	57.0 - 75.8	33.0	24.3 - 43.1	
Infant's birth weight						
<2500 grams	160*	77.6	66.5 - 85.8	22.4	14.2 - 33.5	
2500 grams or more	3,111*	72.0	63.1 - 79.5	28.0	20.5 - 36.9	

NOTES:

Population size for groups giving birth in Maine are taken from the Maine Vital Statistics System unless otherwise noted.

Unknowns are excluded from all tabulations.

**Survey Question 17b: What were your or your husband's or partner's reasons for not doing anything to keep from getting pregnant? I thought I could not get pregnant at that time*

** Estimates of the population size for this group giving birth in Maine are made through PRAMS.

^ Estimate of Hispanic population giving birth in Maine is taken from the 2012 birth file.

There were fewer than 10 survey respondents to this question. Data may be unreliable for describing this group, therefore percent is not reported.

CI = 95% Confidence Interval

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